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SIR:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 6,178,228

AB United States Patent No. 5,828,719

AC United States Patent No. 4,160,906

AD United States Patent No. 4,119,856

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AM European Application 0 809 422

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AS 10 Jahre Computertomographie - ein Rückblick, Dümmling, electromedica 52, No. 1 (1984) pp. 13-28

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

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The above references, or their respective German counterparts, were cited during earlier examination of the present PCT application in the Search Report dated January 4, 2001, which Applicant assumes has been provided to the Examiner by the International Office. All of the references were cited in Category "A" as general technological background information.

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Reference AA corresponds to German OS 198 10 069 and Reference AB corresponds to German OS 197 48 670, cited in the Search Report.

As to Reference AL, an English translation thereof is not readily

available to the Applicant, however, an English language Abstract is attached thereto which constitutes a summary of its teachings. Moreover, Reference AL has a publication date of December 9, 1999, which is after the German priority date (April 28, 1999) on which the present Applicant relies. If necessary, Applicant will submit a certified translation to perfect Applicant's

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claim for priority.

An English translation of Reference AS is not readily available to the Applicant, however, that reference provides a general overview of computed tomography techniques and technology from its inception in 1972 to the date of the article in 1984.

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Reference AM also was identified and discussed in the introductory portion of the specification.

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Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed simultaneously with the present PCT application, and is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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